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THE DEP IS REQUIRING THE DUDLEY WATER DEPARTMENT TO IMPLEMENT A NON-ESSENTIAL OUTDOOR WATER USE RESTRICTION, ACCORDING TO THE NEW WATER MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2011. THIS WILL BE EFFECTIVE MAY 1ST, 2013 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2013, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 A.M. UNTIL 5:00 P.M..

As stated in Special Condition 6 of Dudley's Water Management permit, "nonessential outdoor water use" includes uses that are not required:

- a. for health or safety reasons;
- b. by regulation;
- c. for the production of food and fiber;
- d. for the maintenance of livestock; or
- e. to meet the core functions of a business (for example, irrigation by golf courses as necessary to maintain tees, greens, and limited fairway watering, or irrigation by plant nurseries as necessary to maintain stock).

Examples of **nonessential** outdoor water uses include:

- Irrigation of lawns via sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems;
- Washing of vehicles other than by means of a commercial car wash, except as necessary for operator safety; and
- Washing of exterior building surfaces, parking lots, driveways or sidewalks, except as necessary to apply paint, preservatives, stucco, pavement or cement.

Examples of **acceptable** outdoor water uses include:

- Irrigation to establish a new lawn during the months of May & September;
- Irrigation of public parks and recreations fields by means of automatic sprinklers outside the hours of 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.; and
- Irrigation of lawns, gardens, flowers, and ornamental plants by means of a hand-held hose.